

GERMANY IS WITHIN SMASHING DISTANCE AT 2 VITAL POINTS THROUGH AMERICAN ATTACK

RESUMPTION U. S. OFFENSIVE ON 20 MILE FRONT WEST OF MEUSE GAINS FIVE MILES

Main Rail Artery of Germans on Western Front Menaced, Americans Within 18 Miles, Many Divisions Thrown in.

BY FRED FERGUSON. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) WITH THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY, Oct. 5.—The resumption of the Americans' attack on a 20 mile front west of the Meuse with a five mile American advance east of Rheims, has brought the Americans within smashing distance of the German line at two important points.

MAIN RAIL, ARTERY MENACED WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—March to-day declared the American advance between the Argonne and Meuse threatens Germany's main rail artery on the western front. The Americans are now within 18 miles of that railroad. He said the drive has compelled the Germans to throw "many divisions" into its path.

SEATTLE CHURCHES SCHOOLS, THEATRES FIGHT EPIDEMIC

SEATTLE, Oct. 5.—All churches, schools, theaters and public gatherings are closed today by a proclamation of the mayor to check the Spanish influenza. The police have closed movies and there will be no churches tomorrow.

REINFORCEMENTS CLING TO POSITIONS.

PARIS, Oct. 5.—An official statement says, "South of Monthois we broke up a German counter attack at Croix-Des-Sonnais. All our gains were maintained. The Germans, great as they are, are disputing ground on the whole front between Orval and Monthois with extreme harshness."

OVER 800 CAPTURED BY BRITISH

Haig Announces Substantial Gain Northeast of St. Quentin.

LONDON, Oct. 5.—Haig today announced further progress northeast of St. Quentin in successful minor operations. "Substantial minor operations above St. Quentin resulted in substantial progress southeast of Beaurevoir and north of Cony and Le Catalet. We took 800 prisoners. During the night our line again advanced slightly northwest of Le Catalet."

COUNTY CHAIRMAN ASKS ALL TO INCREASE SUBSCRIPTIONS 25 PER CENT TO MEET GOAL

Fearful of Umatilla county's ability to meet its fourth Liberty loan quota the following statement was issued today by W. L. Thompson, county chairman. "Our quota in the Fourth Liberty Loan is \$2,081,692. The subscriptions to date total \$1,485,908. We are short approximately \$595,784 in the county. The rating committee fixed the individual quota at the minimum each should subscribe, and with all individuals taking their full quotas we find that our totals would still be approximately \$299,696 short of our quota. "This must be made up. We now appeal to all to increase their subscriptions at least twenty-five per cent. It is not proposed that anyone shall be excused from taking their full quota, except for the best of reasons. In making the appeal for user subscriptions from those who responded promptly and fully we must give the assurance that there will be no let-up in the campaign against slackers and shirkers. "What will our boys Over There think of us if we fail to do our duty in this loan? They are doing their

HUNGARIANS NEGOTIATING FOR PEACE

Austria Reported to Have Asked Holland for Use of Hague for Conference, British Investigate.

PROMINENT PACIFISTS ARE BUSY IN VIENNA

Hungarian Premier Visits Karl, Declares Negotiations Underway.

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 5.—Replying to the alleged Austro-Hungarian request for a peace conference of all belligerents, Great Britain is reported to have demanded that Austria explain what it means by "a non-committant conference." It is reported that Austria has asked Holland to place the Hague at belligerent disposal. Holland promptly notified all belligerents. Prominent pacifists are most active in Vienna. "The Cologne Gazette says Hungarian Premier Wekerle Count Thizey Count Andrássy and Count Apponyi have arrived in Vienna in connection with new peace efforts. "We are laboring unwearingly in the interests of peace. We are already negotiating," said Wekerle. They will discuss the situation with Karl.

NEW CHANCELLOR PRESENTS PROGRAM BEFORE REICHSTAG

BERLIN, Oct. 5.—Germany's new chancellor Prince Maximilian of Baden announced his program to the Reichstag today. It will include the restoration of Belgium by international fund, the revision of the Brest and Bucharest treaties by a congress of all belligerents, freedom of the seas; no payment of damages to France; the retention of Alsace-Lorraine; the return of German colonies and partial and progressive disarmament.

part nobly and what will we say to them when they return if we fail in doing ours. What excuse can we offer? Think it over and see if you cannot save us from this humiliation. "Hard After Strikers. Yesterday's second notices were sent out to those who have not responded to the first and special notices were sent to those who subscribed less than their quota, informing them that their subscriptions have not been satisfactory. The loyalty committee last night increased its membership from sixteen to twenty-five and is preparing for an intensive campaign against slackers. Their slogan is "No quarters for those who are not with us." District Chairman Hattman is today notifying his precinct chairmen and team captains to attend a meeting of the Commercial Association tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock at which time they will be given their list for the follow-up campaign. They will be told to clean up their lists in a day and. If the response to the appeal for over-subscriptions is as great as is hoped, it is believed that Pendleton may reach the top by Monday night.

HIGBY HARRIS WORTH \$175,000 IS BOND SLACKER; HILBERT AND PETERS SUBSCRIBE FOR BONDS

To the Public: The Central Loyalty Committee of the Umatilla County Patriotic Service League feels that it has occasion and ample warrant for presenting to the public the name of Higby Harris of Milton as one who has consistently and flagrantly failed in the support of his government at war. It believes that the word "slacker" was coined for just such men as he. Mr. Harris has lived in Umatilla county many years and has grown wealthy here. He is generally credited with being the wealthiest citizen of the east end of the county. He is paying taxes under his own name on real property assessed at \$75,000 and personal property assessed at \$10,000. A very conservative estimate as to his wealth made by men in position to judge places it at \$175,000. Mr. Harris did not subscribe to the First or Second Liberty Loan. In the Third Loan, when an organization for rounding up delinquents was created, he subscribed \$2500. That was the amount of his subscription to the Fourth Loan also. He refused to subscribe for his rating of \$4000. He was notified to appear before this committee and make such explanation as he deemed might justify his refusal. He ignored the notice and the committee feels that it should hesitate no longer in exposing him to the citizenship of the county for the shirker that he is. In the Second Red Cross War Fund campaign Mr. Harris refused to contribute a dollar and we have no record of his ever hav-

ing made a donation to a war fund. On the other hand we have received innumerable reports to the effect that he has thousands of dollars on deposit and has openly stated that he intends holding his money until after the war so that he will be in a position to buy land when values shrink. We feel that Mr. Harris is in a position to stimulate his neighbors in patriotic undertakings and yet the committee believes that there is no one man in the county whose example has been the cause of so much dissatisfaction. We hope there are few citizens in America who have given such miserly support and who have manifested a spirit of such grudging patriotism. To Mr. Harris and to the county the committee wishes to say it has not had its final say. Besides Mr. Harris, the committee had summoned his neighbors last evening. Mr. John H. Peters of Pendleton, Mr. Frank Hilbert of Ukiah and Mr. L. C. Rothrock of Pendleton. It is glad to announce that Mr. Peters has agreed to subscribe his full quota today and that Mr. Hilbert this morning authorized his banker to bring his subscription up to \$4000, his quota. Mr. Rothrock left the city for California before he received his notice to appear before the committee and will be granted a little more time to make his explanation, if he so desires. CENTRAL LOYALTY COMMITTEE. UMATILLA COUNTY PATRIOTIC SERVICE LEAGUE.

IMPORTANT GERMAN BASE 5 MILES AWAY

Opposing Armies Swaying To and Fro, Allies Gaining.

PARIS, Oct. 5.—The Franco-Americans driving northward against Vonlers are now within five miles of that important German base. Enemy long range guns covering Vonlers are being heavily withdrawn. The Germans are reported evacuating the entire Moronville grove. General Debeny is tightening his grip on the Oise region south of St. Quentin and increasing his pressure against northern defenses of the Laon and St. Gobain massif. Opposing armies in Champagne are swaying to and fro. The battle is described as "unstable equilibrium." Above St. Quentin allied gains are being gradually widened but the Germans are fighting hard and progress is slow.

ECHO OVER THE TOP. At noon today Echo reported over the top, with \$70,300 subscribed.

BULLETINS

OFFENSIVE IS ANSWER. WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Allied armies will reply to the Austrian peace plea by a clean-cut offensive developing against the dual monarchy. One class of allied forces is in the rear, the other is the gallant Italian army. It is believed each intends to develop both, forcing Austria to make a genuine peace offer. The present peace offer is insincere.

SEATTLE SETTLES PEACE QUESTION. LONDON, Oct. 5.—The Telegraph declares authoritatively that Britain will reply to the Austrian peace proposal consists of Balfour's speech of September 16.

ABDICATION CONFIRMED. AMSTERDAM, Oct. 5.—An official Sofia announcement confirms the abdication of King Ferdinand. Crown Prince Boris is proclaimed king.

SUCCESSOR NAMED. AMSTERDAM, Oct. 5.—Dr. Von Wolf, colonies secretary has been appointed German foreign minister, succeeding Admiral Von Hintze, says a Berlin official.

FRANCO-AMERICANS BREAK THROUGH FOR 2 MILE GAIN

THESE MEN ARE 125 PER CENT AMERICAN

The call for volunteers to increase the amount of their subscriptions to the Fourth Liberty Loan was answered today by fifteen Pendleton men who are the first to volunteer. The men who increased their subscriptions 25 per cent or more are: H. W. Collins, L. L. Mann, J. N. Burgess, F. E. Judd, Marion Jack, S. R. Thompson, L. L. Rogers, Tom Thompson, F. S. Carl, G. E. Perringer, E. P. Marshall, W. J. Clarke, J. J. Hambley, E. J. Burke and J. V. Tallman.

MEN U. S. MACHINERY IN WEST FRONT BATTLE

Americans Veterans After Few Weeks Experience.

WITH THE FIRST AMERICAN ARMY, Oct. 5.—The Franco-American advance in the Champagne region is now a case of men against machinery. Allied infantry pushes furiously on over well organized defenses and the Germans are retiring only when shoved out. The Americans have profited greatly through the past week's experiences. They give the boiler machine guns no more fine opportunities, through charging recklessly. Yesterday's operations were attacks of veterans against experienced defenders. The Germans admit the assault's suddenness surprised them. There was no artillery preparation to give warning. At 5:20 the entire sector was suddenly captured by an American barrage. The German front lines, puzzled, waited five minutes, inactive. Then the doughboys jumped off, sweeping forward, leading against the creeping explosive line. The Americans' heavies were meanwhile pounding German batteries with high explosives and gas. German batteries were saturated with mustard gas. The Americans jumped the machineguns quickly advancing a kilometer per hour.

Barbers Raise Prices. The home haircut may possibly return to favor in Pendleton. Beginning with Monday, October 7, local barbers will charge fifty cents for a haircut.

EVACUATION OF GREAT ARGONNE FOREST EXPECTED, FRENCH AND AMERICANS HOLD TABLELANDS

ENEMY INPERILED IN NEWLY CREATED POCKET, AISNE CANAL CROSSED, FOE RETREAT HASTY

Furious Fighting Continues all Along 50 Mile Champagne-Argonne Front, Spectacular Advance Made Against Great Difficulties.

LONDON, Oct. 5.—Battlefront dispatches declare the Franco-Americans have definitely broken through the whole front of the enemy's defensive line behind the Sappe river, west of the Argonne.

4,000 Prisoners Taken.

LONDON, Oct. 5.—The Americans attacking on an eight mile front between the Meuse and Aire rivers, advanced two miles today. The Americans have captured Snel on the Kriemhilde line and have taken 4000 prisoners in the Argonne-Meuse fighting. The Germans are fighting most desperately in Champagne for every inch because of the valuable communication lines behind the front.

Fighting Fiercious.

Furious fighting has continued today all along the 50 mile front in the Champagne-Argonne region. Heavy artillery is supporting infantry assaults. The weather is ideal for aerial activity. Stupendous violent German counter attacks in the Fleville region on the Argonne's eastern edge were repulsed last night. The attack west of the Meuse began at 5:30 yesterday morning. By mid-afternoon hill 240, Grosmer, Fleville, Chemery and Laferges were captured. The advance was fully maintained against severe counter attacks. The attack is successful in Argonne despite the great difficulties.

Explosions Evidence Losses.

The Boches have interlarded barbed wire with felled trees cleverly concealing machine gun nests. Tanks cleared these up. Numerous ammunition dump explosions in the enemy's rear lines throughout the day evidenced the Boche's heavy losses from allied artillery. The allies attacked later at some points without artillery and surprised the Germans. Enemy heavy concentration of artillery and machine guns has offered stubborn resistance all day long. The American attack is highly spectacular. General Gouraud today sent personal congratulations to the American divisional commander.

BY JOHN DE GANDE.

(United Press Staff Correspondent.) PARIS, Oct. 5.—The Germans menaced in the great Argonne forest by the Franco-Americans are expected to evacuate. The Germans in a newly created pocket northeast of Rheims are being driven out. They have reached the Arnes river and are now threatening to envelop the Germans who are still holding Nogent, La Bassée and Riez between Rheims and the Sappe river. The Franco-Americans are firmly established on the Orval tablelands.

HUSS FLEE.

PARIS, Oct. 5.—The war office today announced the French have additional progress north of St. Quentin, northwest of Rheims and in Champagne yesterday. The Germans have evacuated the eastern portion of Mont regions, threatened with envelopment by the Franco-Americans.

North of St. Quentin fighting continued with the same violence," said commanders. "We drove the enemy back fighting foot by foot from a height of 1200 meters south-west of Chardonevert and from neighboring woods. More prisoners are taken northwest of Rheims.

We again started a push on the whole front of the Aisne canal, which we crossed, and we reached the border of Biercourt, six miles above Rheims.

2500 CAPTURED IN 5 DAYS.

Over 2500 prisoners have been taken in the past five days. Thirty-two guns were captured, including 20 heavy. "Sharp attacks by French and American troops in Champagne with progress towards Arnes forced the enemy who was threatened with envelopment on his left to evacuate hurriedly the eastern part of Monts section. The French in the sector west of the Sappe river progressed in

the hills maintaining contact with the enemy's rear guards. Last night they reached the height of 12 miles east of Rheims."

100,000 INFLUENZA CASES IN CAMPS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—There are 100,000 cases of influenza in military camps but only sound men are sent overseas.

ESTIMATED EXPLOSION GASAULTIES NEAR 800

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—The estimated loss of life from the munitions explosion which destroyed the Gillespie shell loading plant, varies from 50 to 150. Probably there are 800 casualties including 300 hospital cases. The plant cost \$12,000,000, the loss is carried largely by the government.

NEW SHIP HANDLING RECORDS ESTABLISHED

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—America's two fastest built ships, the Craxel Keys and the Tuckahoe, have established new speed records in loading and unloading in the Boston coast-carrying trade, the shipping board announced. The Keys, built in 34 days, was loaded at Hampton Roads in 54 hours less than the average, and the Tuckahoe, completed in 37 days, was unloaded at Boston in 64 hours less than the average.

County Quota for National Democratic Campaign is \$200

The need is urgent for funds for the national democratic campaign. W. N. Matlock, treasurer of the Umatilla county central committee, has received requests from the democratic national committee and assurance that help in securing donations for the fund will be appreciated. For this purpose Mr. Matlock will receive donations for the fund at the Matlock-Laurel office on Main street. Umatilla county's quota for the fund is \$200.

GOETHALS SUCCEEDS JOHNSON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Major General Goethals was today appointed a member of the war industries board succeeding Brigadier General Johnson who is assigned to active service.

BRITISH CASUALTIES 38,600.

LONDON, Oct. 5.—Published British casualties for the past week total 38,600.



THE WEATHER FORECAST. Tonight and Monday, fair, cooler tonight. Rainfall, 18. Maximum temperature, 73. Minimum temperature, 54. Weather, cloudy and raining. Wind, west. Rainfall, 18.

SQUEEZING THE LEMON

